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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/169,048
Filing Date	October 8, 1998
First Named Inventor	Huse, William D.
Group Art Unit	1639
Examiner Name	Baker, Maurie Garcia
Attorney Docket Number	066784-0052

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1.03(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees which total **\$1,435.00** or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 502624.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) **\$395.00**
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) **\$1,040.00**
- iii. ☐ Other (additional claims, etc.)
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature		Date	November 2, 2004

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Huse and Freedman

Application No.: 09/169,048

Customer No.: 41552

Filed: October 08, 1998

Confirmation No.: 5187

Group Art Unit: 1639

Examiner: M. Baker

Title: METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING OPTIMAL BINDING LIGANDS TO A RECEPTOR

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**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 114**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 7, 2003 entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.